



## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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**MEETING DATE:** October 2, 2023

**PREPARED BY:** Derek Asche, Water Resources Engineer

**AGENDA ITEM:** South Fork Rush Creek Stream Restoration Project No. 21-10  
Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW)  
Resolution No. 23-145

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**PREVIOUS ACTIONS:**

At their meeting of Monday, July 17, 2023, the City Council approved Resolution No. 23-112 accepting bids and awarding the contract for the South Fork Rush Creek Stream Restoration, Project No. 21-10.

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**RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:**

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 23-145, making a negative declaration on the need for an environmental impact statement along with the findings of fact, conclusions, and record of decision.

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**COMMENTS:**

The South Fork Rush Creek Stream Restoration required an environmental assessment worksheet (EAW) due to stream diversion greater than 500 feet in length. The purpose of an EAW is to complete a review of the impacts of a project and determine if an environmental impact statement (EIS), a more thorough environmental review, is required. The EAW process includes distribution to a number of state and regional agencies and an opportunity to comment. Comments were received from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Metropolitan Council, and Hennepin County. A response to comments has been provided and is included in the findings of fact, conclusions, and record of decision attachment. No agencies commented that an EIS is required, and the resolution before you affirms this decision.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: Resolution No. 23-145  
Attachment B: Findings of fact, conclusions, and record of decision  
Attachment C: EAW is available upon request